



DoD

# HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE and MINE ACTION



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# DoD HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE, DISASTER RELIEF & MINE ACTION

A family of activities under the authority of Title 10 United States Code

- Humanitarian Assistance (HA)
- Foreign Disaster Relief / Emergency Response (FDR/ER)
- Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA)
- Humanitarian Civic Assistance (HCA)

Funded by the Overseas Humanitarian, Disaster and Civic Aid (OHDACA) appropriation (HCA exception)



# DoD Humanitarian Assistance

## Forms of Assistance

- Projects (e.g. medical, rudimentary construction, engineering)
- Excess Property (e.g. medical supplies/equipment, school supplies, tools, generators, office supplies & equipment, vehicles, construction equipment)
- Humanitarian Daily Rations (HDRs)
- Transportation of Privately Donated Relief: Space-available transport on US military assets, or paid for by OHDACA on commercial / military assets



# Humanitarian Assistance DoD Excess Property

Donations of DoD Excess Articles for humanitarian purposes such as:

- \*\* Medical Supplies and equipment
- \*\* Construction and Engineering Supplies
- \*\* Vehicles such as Ambulances
- \*\* Office and School Supplies



Left: Excess vehicles at Albany, GA, ready for shipment; bus, snowplow, 2.5 ton truck

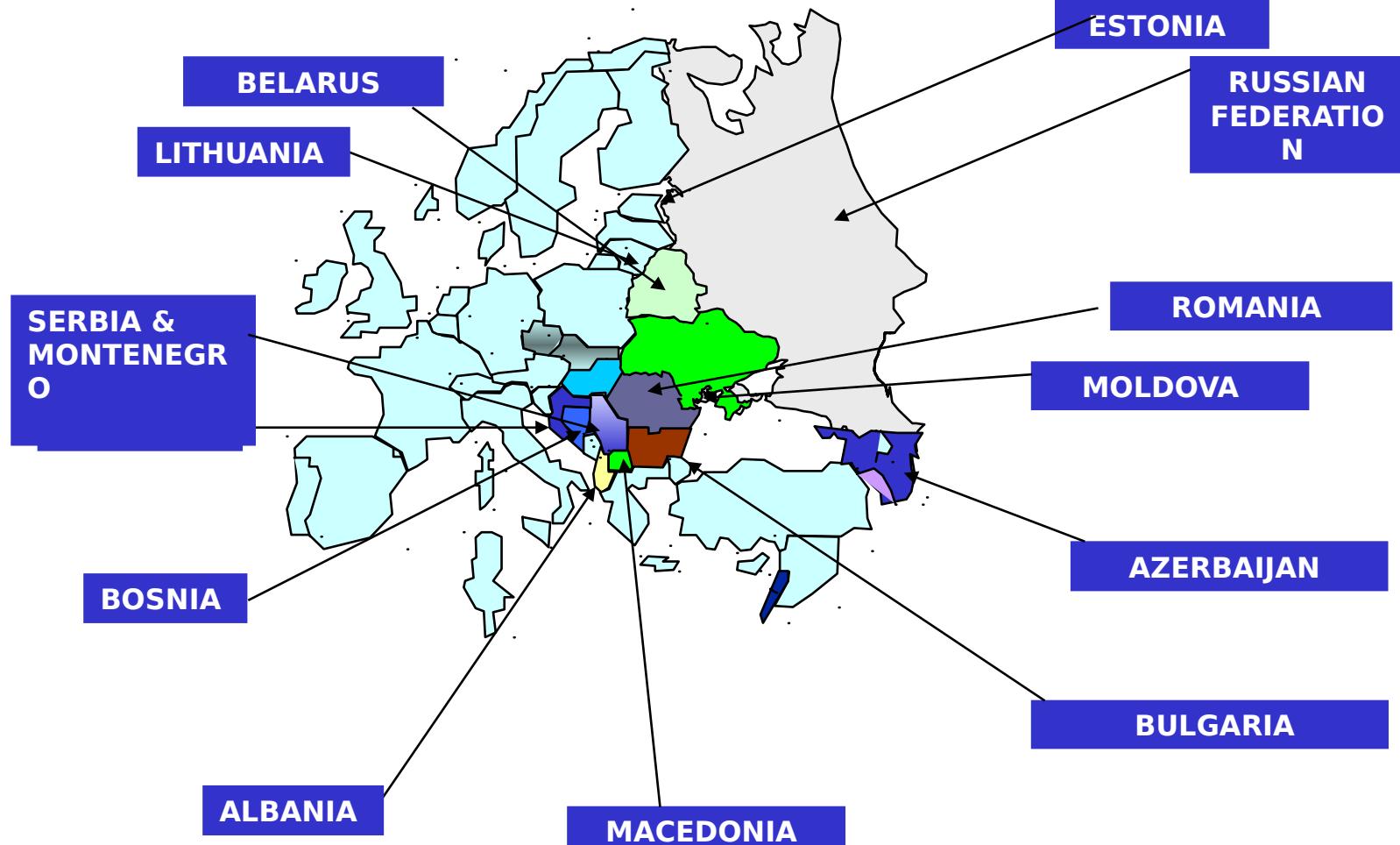
Right: Excess hospital equipment donated to Uzbekistan

For HN Civilian Use Only





# USEUCOM HA ACTIVITY EUROPE FY 06



**13 COUNTRIES, 53 PROJECTS**



# DoD Humanitarian Assistance Examples



## EUCOM - EUROPE

### Azerbaijan

Water well dug for local civilians



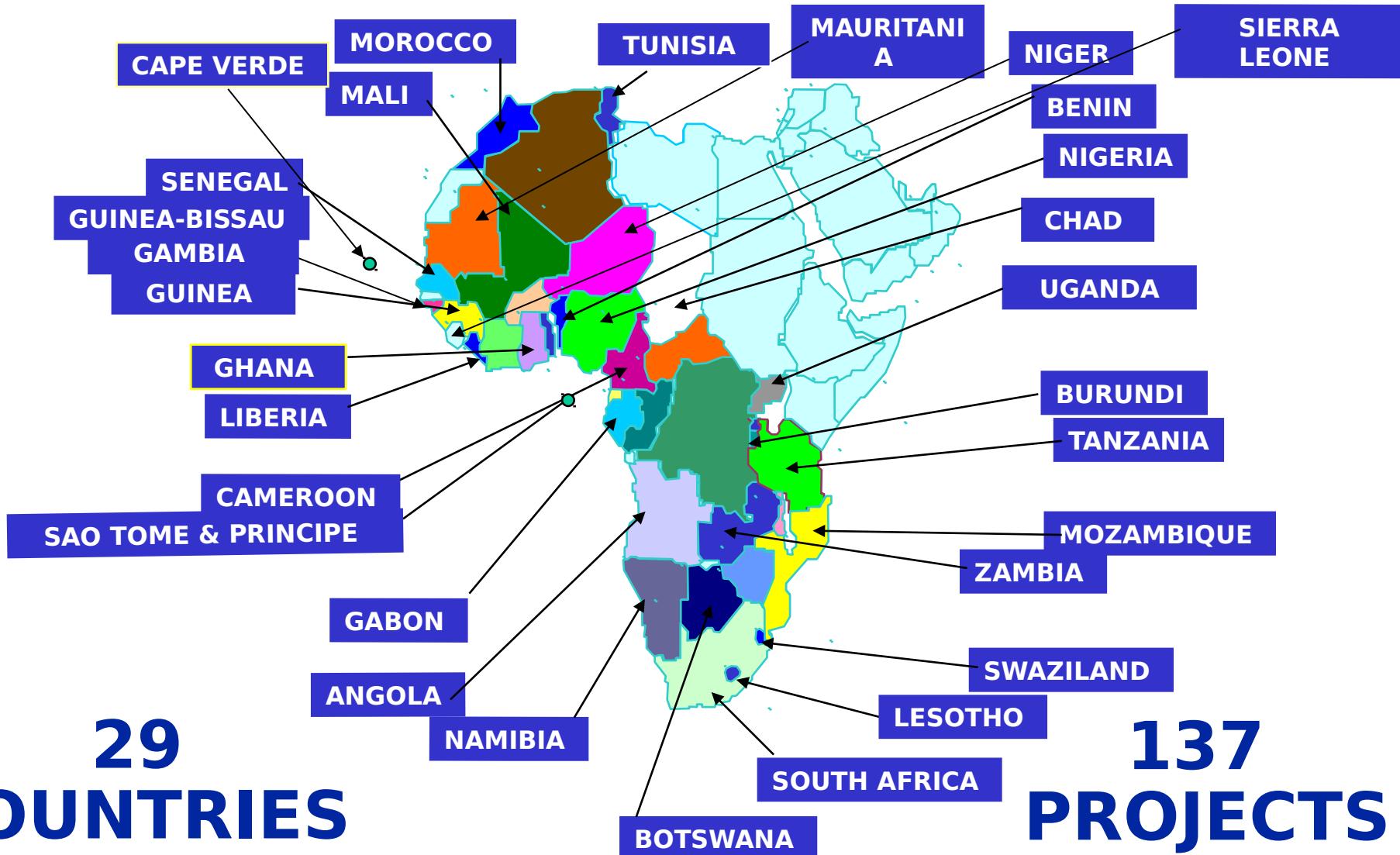
### •Croatia

DoD excess hospital supplies and equipment provided to hospital in Zagreb





# USEUCOM HA ACTIVITY AFRICA FY 06





# DoD Humanitarian Assistance Examples



## EUCOM - AFRICA

### Angola

Rehab of health center in Lunda Prov



### Senegal

Constructed center for children with disabilities in D



### Sierre Leone

Build and equip schools and dig water wells in Fintonia and Yemere Vill



### Uganda

Construct and equip medical clinic in Gulu Town





# USSOUTHCOM HA ACTIVITY FY 06





# DoD Humanitarian Assistance Examples



## SOUTHCOM Colombia

The DoD Humanitarian Assistance Program funded a \$279k project to construct a school in La Sierra Nevada de Santa Ma



## Ecuador

Construction/refurbishment of potable water supply systems in the rural communities in the province of Tungurahua



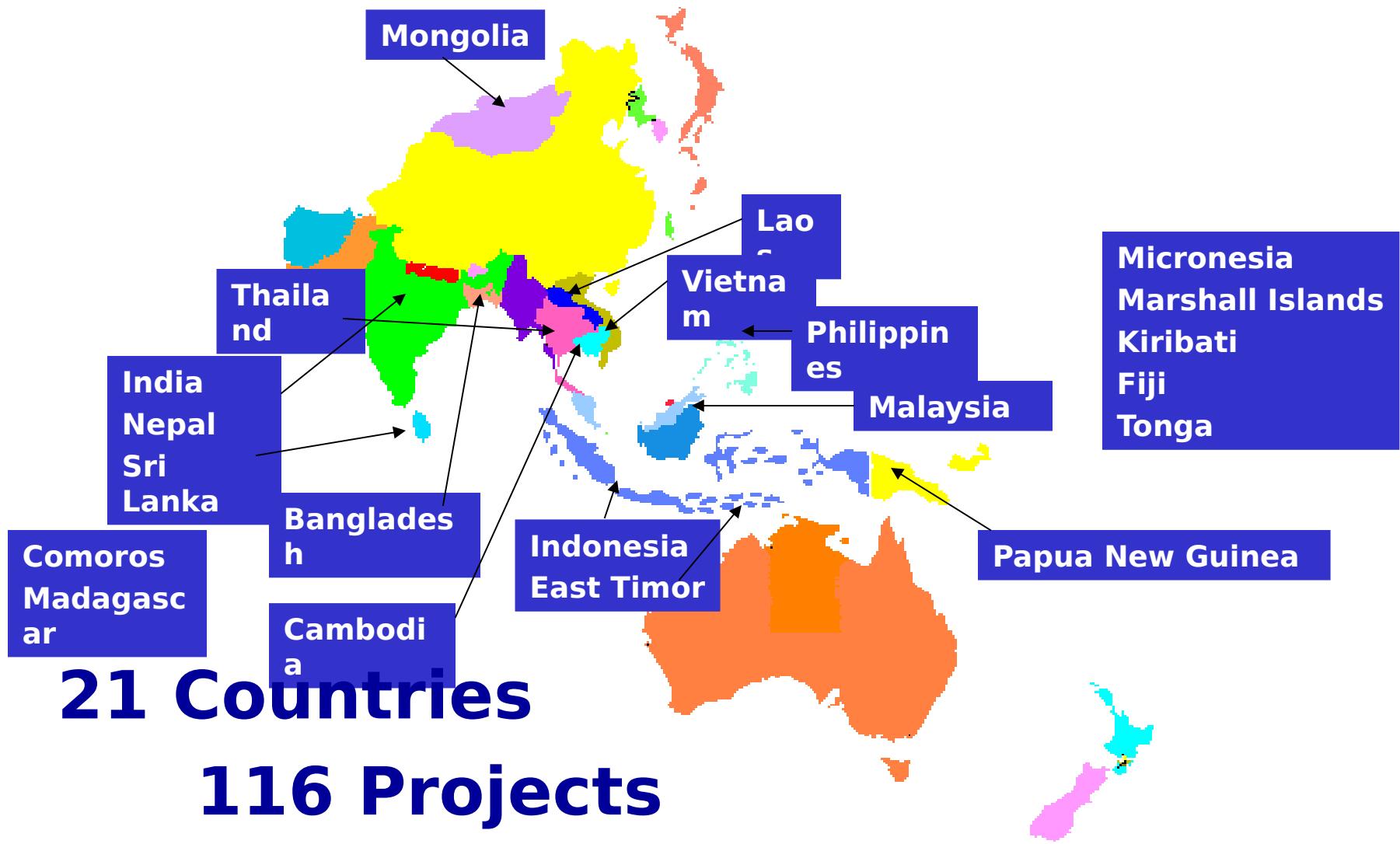
## Grenada

Construction of a one-floor warehouse for pre-positioning and safe guarding disaster relief supplies and equipment; resistant to 140mph winds





# USPACOM HA ACTIVITY FY 06





# DoD Humanitarian Assistance Examples



## PACOM

### Indonesia Tsunami - Operation Unified Assistance

- \$97.5M: \$22.5M base program; \$75M reprogrammed from Navy



## Vietnam

### DoD Provides Fire Truck as Part of USG \$2 million Contribution to Vietnam's Demining and Bomb Removal Effort



A primary school inaugurated in Van Trach commune in the central province of Quang Binh. The \$275,000 project also built two centers for disabled people in the province's Quang Trach and Quang Ninh districts

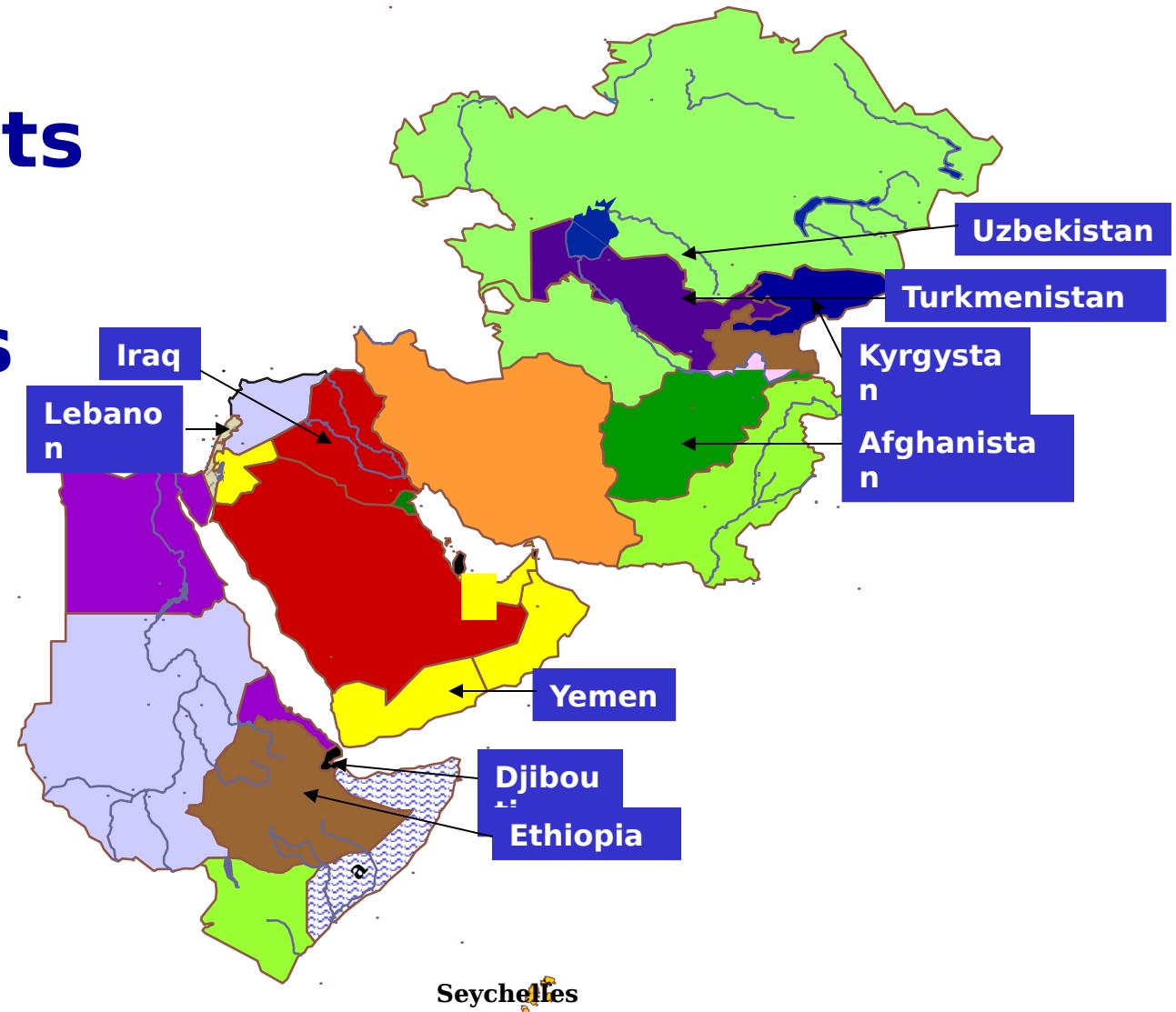


### Bangladesh Training missions for civilian community to manage and respond to complex emergencies and ensure sufficiency; improvements to address inadequate or degraded flood control barriers to increase safety of population (\$380,000)



# USCENTCOM HA ACTIVITY FY 06

64 Projects  
9 Countries





# DoD Humanitarian Assistance Examples



**CENTCOM**

**Kyrgystan**

**DoD excess property, metal lockers, being loaded for delivery  
To local schools.**



**Kyrgystan**

**Before and after pictures of a bathroom  
refurbished in a local elementary school.**

**Djibouti**

**School cantina that will be refurbished.**





# Foreign Disaster Relief (FDR) Emergency Response (ER)

Provides for emergency response planning and preparedness activities to improve the capacity of DoD through the Combatant Commands and other subordinate elements to respond to humanitarian crises

FDR/ER builds NGO/IO and host nation emergency response capabilities to reduce or alleviate US Military involvement in crisis response





# Foreign Disaster Relief (FDR) Emergency Response (ER)



US forces delivering aid to tsunami victims  
on Banda Aceh

**The military provides a unique service**

**Civilian response capacity is overwhelmed**

**Civilian authorities request assistance**

DoD may become involved when:



Marine loadmaster from Marine Corp Air Station Futenma, Okinawa, load prepackaged dehydrated meals onto a C-130 Hercules in support of Operation Unified Assistance



# Foreign Disaster Relief (FDR) Emergency Response (ER)

## Recent example: Pakistan Earthquake

**As of January 2006 there are approximately 850 U.S. military personnel, and 12 helicopters supporting relief operations.**

**Helicopters have delivered 4,667 short tons of humanitarian relief supplies, and transported 15,800 people.**

**U.S. humanitarian-assistance supplies delivered include: 365,058 blankets, 12,883 sleeping bags, 3,538 tents, 5,000 water containers, 120,960 halal meals, 600 heaters, and 18 pallets of medicine.**

**The 212th MASH hospital began operations in Muzaffarabad Oct. 25. U.S. Army and 3<sup>rd</sup> MEF medical teams have treated over 6,000 patients.**



U.S. Army CH-47 Chinook helicopter loads humanitarian relief supplies at Muzaffarabad, Pakistan



U.S. Army Capt. administers a vaccine to a Pakistani child at the Muslim Public School in Muzaffarabad, Pakistan



# Humanitarian Assistance Transportation

**Funded Transportation Program:** Transportation of privately donated humanitarian cargo using OHDACA funds. Majority move by surface (sealift and truck).

[www.dentonfunded.com](http://www.dentonfunded.com)



**Denton Program:** Transportation of privately donated cargo on military assets on a space-available





# Humanitarian Daily Rations (HDRs)



- Funded by OHDACA
- Based on MRE concept (not as rich)
- Meets short-term needs of refugees, displaced persons
- Culturally appropriate
- Single package a full day's nutrition (2300 calories)
- Less costly than MREs
- Available for pre-positioning for future emergency response



# COLLABORATION

## Wheelchair distribution in Afghanistan on 22 Sep 2003



A  
collaborative  
effort  
between  
DoD, DoS,  
and the  
Wheelchair  
Foundation



Transportation  
provided by  
DSCA under the  
Funded  
Transportation  
Program



10,000  
Wheelchairs  
donated by the  
Wheelchair  
Foundation



# DoD Humanitarian Mine Action Role

**Relieve suffering from the adverse effects of landmines while promoting US interests:**

- **Support Combatant Command's regional strategy**
- **Improve readiness and training for US forces**
- **Establish sustainable indigenous demining programs**
- **Alleviate the threat of landmines to innocents**
- **Encourage international cooperation and participation**
- **HDTA conducts training for deploying forces**



# Humanitarian Mine Action Training Center



**Demining equipment display at HDTCT**

**Mine boards depicting explosive devices found in Iraq**



**Demining training at HDTCT**



**Explosive device used for training**

**Lower shelf shows Cluster munition Compared to HD**



# Humanitarian Mine Action Components



Above: Demining training in Nicaragua

- Mine Risk Education
- Demining Training
- Assistance to Mine Action Center Development
- Victim Assistance



Left: Mine risk education in Nicaragua



Right: Mine victim in Cambodia



# Humanitarian and Civic Assistance



Medical exercise conducted in Morocco

**HA activities in conjunction with  
military operations/exercises**

**Funded by military services' O&M**

**Pays for incremental costs, i.e.,  
consumables**



Local village people in Chad lining up for medical assistance; some walked 2 days to get there

**Primary purpose is training for US  
Medical  
Dental  
Veterinary  
Engineering (roads, wells,  
rudimentary construction)**

up for  
for 2 days to



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